

Amendments to the Claims:

The listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

Claims 1.-7. (Cancelled)

Claim 8. (New) A system for prompting a control unit in a vehicle having a power supply circuit for changing the control unit from a normal operational state to a sleep mode, and a prompting device which is operable to switch the power supply through in order to change the control unit into the normal operational state; wherein,

the prompting device is supplied with substantially no current in the sleep mode and has a dischargeable energy accumulator;

when the prompting device is operated, energy of the energy accumulator is used to change the control unit into the normal operational state;

as a result of the energy of the energy accumulator, a switch is operable to connect the control unit to a power supply; and

the energy accumulator can be charged in the normal operational state, or mechanical energy can be converted to electric power when the prompting device is operated.

Claim 9. (New) The system according to Claim 1, wherein the energy accumulator includes one of a backup capacitor and a foil capacitor.

Claim 10. (New) The system according to Claim 9, wherein:

an electric switch is arranged between the transport device power supply and the control unit;

in the normal operational state, the switch supplies the control unit with an operating voltage; and

in the sleep mode, the switch blocks, so that the control unit is switched substantially current-free in the sleep mode.

Claim 11. (New) The system according to Claim 10, wherein the prompting device has a piezogenerator.

Claim 12. (New) The system according to Claim 11, wherein the piezogenerator is coupled with a mechanical energy accumulator.

Claim 13. (New) The system according to Claim 12, wherein a rectifier is connected in front of the energy accumulator, which rectifier permits the utilization of both polarities of the alternating voltage generated by the piezogenerator.

Claim 14. (New) The system according to Claim 12, wherein the auxiliary energy accumulator supplies a supplementary energy which supplements the energy provided by the energy accumulator during the switch-on operation.